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Sir:

In response to the Official Action of November 28, 2007, in which a three-month shortened statutory period for responding thereto was set to expire on February 28, 2008, but in which the period for responding is extended to March 28, 2008 by a simultaneously filed request for a one-month extension of time and payment of the appropriate extension of time fee, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and withdrawal of the outstanding rejections set forth in the above-mentioned Official Action in view of the following amendments and remarks.

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 2 of this Reply.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 3 of this Reply.

Remarks begin on page 10 of this Reply.